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MULTIPLE MYELOMA

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2002, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 7 and 9-13 are all the claims pending in the application. Each of the claims has been rejected.

I. Rejection of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103

At pages 2-4 of the Office Action, claims 7 and 9-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Isomura et al. (US 4,990,503) in view of Shipman et al. (Leukemia and Lymphoma, 1998).